Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$5681-\$5717

Measures Introduced: Twenty-five bills and ten resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4605–4629, and S. Res. 701–710. Pages \$5705–06

Measures Passed:

National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 702, designating September 2020 as "National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month". Pages \$5715-16

National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 703, designating the week beginning September 14, 2020, as National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week. Pages S5715–16

Honoring General Thomas P. Stafford: Senate agreed to S. Res. 704, honoring the accomplishments of General Thomas P. Stafford and recognizing his contribution to the United States Space Program.

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National Clean Energy Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 705, proclaiming the week of September 21 through September 25, 2020, to be "National Clean Energy Week". Pages \$5715–16

Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 706, expressing support for the designation of September 2020 as "Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month" in order to educate communities across the United States about sickle cell disease and the need for research, early detection methods, effective treatments, and preventative care programs with respect to complications from sickle cell disease and conditions related to sickle cell disease.

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National Poll Worker Recruitment Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 707, recognizing September 1, 2020, as "National Poll Worker Recruitment Day".

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Leo C. Chase Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1646, to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in St. Augustine,

Florida, as the "Leo C. Chase Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic", and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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McConnell (for Rubio) Amendment No. 2657, to modify the designation of the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in St. Augustine, Florida.

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Robert D. Maxwell Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 4072, to designate the clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Bend, Oregon, as the "Robert D. Maxwell Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic", and the bill was then passed.

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Jenna Quinn Law: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. 924, to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to require training and education to teachers and other school employees, students, and the community about how to prevent, recognize, respond to, and report child sexual abuse in primary and secondary education, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: Page S5716

McConnell (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 2658, in the nature of a substitute. Page \$5716

Supporting Family Mental Health in CAPTA Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. 1160, to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to increase support for mental health, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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McConnell (for Smith) Amendment No. 2659, in the nature of a substitute. Pages \$5716-17

Meyers Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, September 17, 2020, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, September 21, 2020.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5701

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, September 21, 2020; and that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of Thursday, September 17, 2020 ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, September 21, 2020.

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Lucas Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. Page S5701

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page \$5701

Samuels Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jocelyn Samuels, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Page S5701

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. Page S5701

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5701

Sonderling Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Keith E. Sonderling, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Page S5701

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Jocelyn Samuels, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Page S5701

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5701

Hinderaker Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of John Charles Hinderaker, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Keith E. Sonderling, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Pages \$5701-02

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page \$5701

Young Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Roderick C. Young, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of John Charles Hinderaker, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5702

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 68 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. EX. 182), Franklin Ulyses Valderrama, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination be withdrawn. Page S5689

By 77 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. EX. 183), Iain D. Johnston, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

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Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Sharon E. Goodie, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—183) Pages S5690, S5694-95

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m. and adjourned at 5:02 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5717.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Notices of Intent:

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 3 nominations in the Army and Air Force.

NNSA BUDGET MATTERS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine matters relating to the budget of the National Nuclear Security Administration, after

receiving testimony from Lisa E. Gordon-Hagerty, Under Secretary for Nuclear Security and Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; and Ellen M. Lord, Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment, and Admiral Charles A. Richard, USN, Commander, United States Strategic Command, both of the Department of Defense.

U.S. ENGAGEMENT IN THE INDO-PACIFIC AND BEYOND

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine advancing U.S. engagement and countering China in the Indo-Pacific and beyond, after receiving testimony from Julie Chung, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Philip T. Reeker, Acting Assistant Secretary for European and Eurasian Affairs, and David R. Stilwell, Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, all of the Department of State.

FIXING THE FAFSA

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine fixing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, after receiving testimony from Kim Cook, National College Attainment Network, Washington, D.C.; Rachelle Feldman, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Kristin D. Hultquist, HCM Strategists, Englewood, Colorado; Judith Scott-Clayton, Columbia University Teachers College, New York, New York; and Bridget Terry Long, Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of J. Philip Calabrese, and James Ray Knepp II, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, Aileen Mercedes Cannon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Toby Crouse, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, Michael Jay Newman, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, and Anna Maria Ruzinski, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and Gregory Scott Tabor, of Arkansas, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Arkansas, both of the Department of Justice.